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LISTING OF CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 21, 67, 74, 76, 84-87, 92, 98 and 102 as follows.

1 1-20 (Cancelled)

2 21. (Currently Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces and
3 a softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the formation of a quilt, the
4 quilt having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by spaced
5 apart connectors, the improvement comprising:

6 the batting consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester, and
7 having an adhesive provided with applied throughout the batting;

8 so that the at least one cover can be attached to the batting by an
9 adhesive connection at the opposing faces of the batting during formation of the
10 quilt.

1 22. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is
2 an activatable adhesive for attachment of the cover to the batting.

1 23. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to the batting to at least temporarily secure the cover to the batting.

24. (Canceled).

25. (Canceled).

1 26. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is activated by heat when applying the cover for attachment to the batting.

27. (Canceled).

1 28. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 connection is formed by application of pressure.

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1 29. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 28 wh rein the application
2 of heat is provided by an iron.

30. (Canceled).

1 31. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 comprises a water-soluble material.

1 32. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to substantially all of an interface for attachment of the cover.

33. (Canceled).

1 34. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 22 wherein the adhesive
2 is applied to a portion of the batting.

1 35. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is applied to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a pattern.

1 36. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied by spraying to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a pattern.

1 37. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is removable.

38. (Canceled).

1 39. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the batting is
2 a thick material relative to a fabric cover of the quilt.

40 (Canceled).

41-66 (Withdrawn).

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1 67. (Currently Amended) A batting of a type having a pair of opposing
2 faces and configured to form a soft and flexible quilt by attachment of a cover by
3 spaced apart connectors, the batting consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-
4 polyester blend; and having an adhesive provided with applied to provide an
5 interface on at least one of the opposing faces the batting; so that a cover can be
6 at least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive at the interface by
7 application of heat before the cover is attached to the batting with connectors to
8 form a soft and flexible quilt.

1 68. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein application of
2 heat is provided by an ironing unit.

1 69. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the application
2 of heat is by pressing.

1 70. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 an activatable adhesive.

1 71. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 temporarily attaches the cover to the batting.

1 72. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 provided in a thin coating to maintain the complete flexibility and softness of the
3 quilt formed by attachment of a cover to each of the opposing faces of the batting.

1 73. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 comprises a nonwoven material.

1 74. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 ~~wherein the adhesive is~~
2 applied to the opposing faces consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester
3 that is needle punched.

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1 75. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to at least a portion of the opposing faces in a pattern.

1 76. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 ~~provides an~~ is applied throughout the interface for attachment of the cover to the
3 batting.

1 77. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to a portion of the batting.

1 78. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to the batting by spraying at least one of the opposing faces.

1 79. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 comprises a water-soluble material.

1 80. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 inactive until activated by application of heat and pressure.

1 81. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a thin layer.

1 82. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is
2 removable by washing.

1 83. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 comprising a loft that is
2 thick relative to a fabric cover of the quilt.

1 84. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 will remain in the quilt formed after attachment of covers to each of the opposing
3 faces of the batting by spaced-apart connectors ~~such as yarn or thread~~.

1 85. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the batting
2 consists ~~essentially~~ of cotton and polyester with the adhesive.

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1 86. (Currently Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces and
2 a softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the formation of a quilt, the
3 quilt having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by spaced
4 apart connectors, the improvement comprising:

5 the batting consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester and having
6 an adhesive on each of the opposing faces;

7 so that the at least one cover can be attached to the batting by an adhesive
8 connection at the opposing faces of the batting during formation of the quilt. A
9 ~~batting of a type having a pair of opposing faces and configured to form a soft and~~
10 ~~flexible quilt by attachment of a cover to each of the opposing faces by spaced~~
11 ~~apart connectors, the batting comprising:~~

12 ~~a loft consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester blend; and~~
13 ~~an adhesive provided with the batting;~~

14 ~~so that a cover can be at least temporarily secured to each of the~~
15 ~~opposing faces of the batting with the adhesive before the cover is attached to the~~
16 ~~batting with connectors to form a quilt.~~

1 87. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 ~~wherein the adhesive is~~
2 ~~provided on each of the opposing faces~~ consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-
3 polyester that is needle punched.

1 88. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive will
2 remain in the quilt after the cover is attached to the batting by spaced apart
3 connectors.

1 89. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 activatable.

1 90. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the cover is at
2 least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive by pressing the cover to
3 the batting.

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1 91. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the cover is at
2 least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive by application of heat.

1 92. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied as a coating to the batting left.

1 93. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the application
2 of heat by an iron secures the cover to the batting.

1 94. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 comprises a water-soluble adhesive.

1 95. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 provides an interface between the cover and the batting.

1 96. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 provided to a portion of the batting.

1 97. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied by spraying to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting.

1 98. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the ~~left~~ batting
2 is thick relative to a fabric cover for the quilt.

1 99. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 comprises a non-woven material.

1 100. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 applied to the batting in a pattern.

1 101. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 removable by washing.

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- 1 102. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim ~~86~~ 21 consisting of cotton
2 or polyester or cotton-polyester that is needle punched wherein the loft comprises a
3 ~~low loft material that comprises 80 percent cotton and 20 percent polyester.~~

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